# GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Services – Revenue Department – Sri L.Gandhi Babu, formerly Deputy Mandal Revenue Officer, O/o the M.R.O., Nallajarla (M), West Godavari District and now retired from service – Allegation of non-submission of APRs and failure to obtain prior permission for acquiring immovable properties - Disciplinary Action-Final Orders Issued - Regarding.

#### **REVENUE (VIG.VI) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.Rt.No.1234. Dated: 17.08.2012. Read the following:-

1. From the DG, ACB, Hyd., Lr.Rc.No.14/RCA-CIU/07, dated: 14.08.2008.

- 2. G.O.Rt.No.361, Revenue (Vig.VI) Department, dated: 06.03.2010.
- 3. Representation of Sri L.Gandhi Babu, Dy. M.R.O. (Retd.), dated: 26.04.2010.
- 4. Govt. Memo.No.6014/Vig.VI (2)/2007-3, dated: 06.08.2010.
- 5. Govt. Memo.No.6014/Vig.VI (2)/2007-4, dated: 06.08.2010.
- 6. From the Addl. Joint Collector, West Godavari, Lr.Roc.No.721/VC/07, dated: 20.12.2010.
- 7. G.O.Ms.No.596, Revenue (Vig.VI) Department, dated: 19.04.2012.
- 8. Govt. Memo.No.6014/Vig.VI (2)/2007-5, dated: 19.04.2012.
- 9. From Sri L.Gandhi Babu, Deputy Tahsildar (Retired.), Representation, dated: NIL.
- 10. Govt. Letter.No.6014/Vig.VI (2)/2007-6, dated: 24.05.2012.
- 11. From the APPSC Lr.No.1239/RT/1/2012, dated: 23.06.2012.

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### ORDER:

Whereas, on the allegation of acquisition of disproportionate assets to the known sources of income by indulging in corrupt practices, a case in Cr.No.4/ACB-CIU-Hyd/2007 under section 13(2) read with 13(1) (e) of P.C. Act, 1988 was registered against Sri L. Gandhi Babu, Deputy Mandal Revenue Officer, O/o the Mandal Revenue Officer, Nallajarla (M), West Godavari District by the Anti Corruption Bureau and investigation was taken up. The Accused Officer was arrested on 02.02.2007 and produced before the Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, Vijayawada for judicial custody on 03.02.2007. Accordingly, the District Collector, West Godavari placed the Accused Officer under suspension with effective from 02.02.2007 and further the individual retired from service on 31.01.2008 while continuing under suspension.

- 2. As per the recommendation of the Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau in his final report in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, Government have examined the issue and decided to conduct departmental action against the Accused Officer on the allegations of (i) possession assets disproportionate to his known sources of income (ii) failure to submit Annual Property Returns and failure to take prior permission in acquiring the properties and framed the article of charges vide G.O. 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, Being not satisfied with the explanation of the charged officer thereon, the Joint Collector-II, West Godavari District and the Revenue Divisional Officer, Eluru were appointed as Enquiry Officer and Presenting Officer respectively to conduct regular enquiry into the charges in the references 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> read above.
- 3. The Enquiry Officer has furnished his enquiry report in the reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above. The Enquiry Officer has stated that the Accused Officer is not in possession of assets disproportionate to his income and held that the charges and consequently the delinquency was not proved while holding that the Accused Officer failed to submit Annual Property Returns and obtain prior permission for acquiring immovable

properties. Government, after examination of the enquiry report, have decided to drop further action against the Accused Officer in respect of the charge of possession assets disproportionate to his known sources of income and issued orders accordingly in the reference 7<sup>th</sup> read above. However, in respect of the charge of failure to submit Annual Property Returns and take prior permission in acquiring the properties, Government have taken a provisional decision to impose a punishment of 10% cut in pension for a period of one year and accordingly a show-cause notice was issued to the Accused Officer in the reference 8<sup>th</sup> read above. On receipt of the Show Cause Notice the Accused Officer has filed his explanation vide reference 9<sup>th</sup> read above stating that he was not aware of the requirement to submit Annual Property Return to the Higher Authorities during his service and therefore requested to drop action or else impose the punishment as proposed in the show cause notice.

- 5. After careful examination of the matter and in consultation with the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, the Government hereby impose the punishment of 10% (ten percentage) cut in pension a period of one year on the Accused Officer (i.e.) Sri L. Gandhi Babu, Deputy Mandal Revenue Officer, O/o the Mandal Revenue Officer, Nallajarla (M), West Godavari District, as the Accused Officer himself has admitted the fact that he has not submitted Annual Property Returns during his service.
- 6. The District Collector, West Godavari District shall take further action in the matter.

#### (BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

## ASUTOSH MISHRA PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

#### To

The Individual. (through District Collector, West Godavari at Eluru)

#### Copy to:

- 1. The District Collector, West Godavari at Eluru.
- 2. The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.
- 3. The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, A.P., Hyderabad.
- 4. The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.
- 5. The Accountant General, A.P. Hyderabad.
- 6. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
- 7. SF/SC.

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

**SECTION OFFICER**